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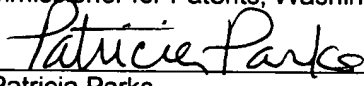
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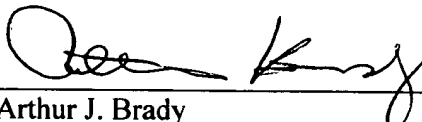
The substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.84 are submitted herewith.

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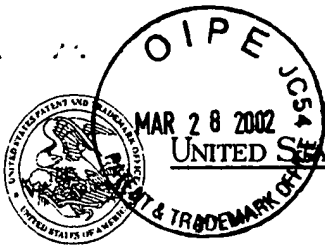
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